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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN, AUDITORS

AND

Superintending School Committee

OF THE TOWN OF

FREMONT, N. H.,

FOR THE

FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 1,

1874.

EXETER:
NEWS-LETTER STEAM PRINTING ESTABLISHMENT.
1874.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

THE SELECTMEN CHARGE THEMSELVES WITH THE FOLLOWING SUMS TO-WIT:

RECEIVED.

Balance in Treasurer's hands, 1872	$651 88
Cash borrowed of sundry persons	1,512 00
Bonds	2,100 00
Interest on State bonds	111 00
Of State Treasurer, Savings Bank Tax	46 50
Railroad tax	34 28
Literary fund	50 43
County, for support of paupers	156 12
C. C. Brown, 2d, collection of 1868	15 70
O. S. Currier, " 1869	5 56
James Martin, " 1872	147 40
" " " 1873	3,496 75
	$8,327 66

PUBLIC TAXES.

Paid State tax	$888 00
County tax	588 53

SCHOOLS.

Paid District No. 1	$177 11	
" No. 2	187 05	
" No. 3	126 26	
" No. 4	62 28	
I. S. Tuck's heirs tax	5 90	
		$558 60

SCHOOL HOUSE TAX.

Paid District No. 1	$48 00

NON-RESIDENT HIGHWAY LABOR.

Paid District No. 1	$5 53	
" No. 2		
" No. 3	1 20	
" No. 4	1 50	
" No. 6	90	
" No. 7	90	
" No. 8	3 51	
"— No. 9	21 62	
		$35 16

PAUPERS.

Paid for support of John Marsh and wife	$34 50	
Robert Warren and family	12 00	
Daniel Deveaux	19 00	
medical aid for do	20 00	
support of Samuel Trickey	26 00	
" Rebecca Rowe	52 00	
" Maggie Frenehs and family	20 00	
support of Rhoda Sanborn's child	65 00	
clothing for do	9 50	
Frances Bean	26 00	
James W. McIntire's family	1 00	
transient paupers	16 75	
		$301 75

BREAKING ROADS IN WINTER OF 1872 and 1873.

HIGHWAY DISTRICT NO. 1.

Paid Ira Hylan	$20 00
John M. Fitts	4 65
John L. Fitts	1 50
Stephen G. Sleeper	6 30
Samuel A. Smith	5 70
Joseph S. Dearborn	4 65
Henry Lyford	8 17
Washington Lyford	6 45
Ebenezer Ellis	3 15
James W. McIntire	1 05

Paid Josiah West	1 95	
		$63 57

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Paid Josiah B. Robinson	$21 00	
John F. Lyford	1 20	
Jeremiah Burley	5 25	
Perley Robinson	4 35	
Henry Lyford	2 18	
James Robinson	2 55	
		$36 53

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Paid Horatio Beede	$10 95	
George F. Beede	4 50	
Phineas Beede	9 00	
Phineas Beede	3 00	
Samuel J. Willey	2 30	
John F. Hartford	4 90	
		$34 65

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Paid Warren D. Lovering	$9 15	
Cyrus A. Gove	1 00	
		$10 15

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Paid Boardman Poor	$8 33	
John C. Sanborn	83	
Joseph Sanborn	75	
Francis Purington	75	
Joseph Abbott	60	
Charles C. Brown	3 75	
Orin B. Poor	1 58	
Sherburne Sanborn	2 70	
John Whittier	3 60	
John A. Porter	60	
		$23 49

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Paid Daniel S. Brown	$1 72	
David Sanborn	1 42	
James Bean	1 05	

Paid Orin Bean	4 37	
Asa Sanborn	1 80	
Alvah Sanborn	6 00	
Charles W. Brown	1 35	
		$17 71

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Paid Horace Hook	75	
Ezra Currier	$8 10	
Daniel C. Hook	6 00	
Abel T. Kimball	3 90	
Benjamin P. Webster	7 20	
Moses N. Sanborn	1 05	
		$27 00

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Paid Benning S. Scribner	$1 35	
Jeremiah Benfield	6 05	
		$7 40

DISTRICT NO. 9.

Paid George L. Sanborn	$2 55	
Daniel J. Smith	2 55	
John Brown, Jr	1 65	
George D. Foss	5 70	
Simon Foss	4 95	
Joseph Floyd	30	
Edward Burnap	1 05	
Joseph A. Smith	2 10	
Theodore B. Smith	3 60	
Andrew J. York	3 90	
Charles E. Jones	1 80	
		$30 15

Paid sundry individuals' notes and interest amounting to $2,998 88

ABATEMENTS.

Paid Joseph Provere, (over taxed)	91	
A. J. York, (horse died)	33	
Thompson, Pike & Norris	$4 17	
Charles Brown Raymond	9 27	

Paid Moses N. Sanborn, poll tax.....	1 67	
Samuel A, Smith, sheep killed.....	41	
Mary Beede, (over taxed).....	4 68	
Orin Bean, 1872.....	1 54	
James Conner, 1872.....	1 94	
Andrew J. Hartford....	1 88	
Albert Porter.....	1 94	
James E. Steel.....	1 93	
John Brown, Jr.....	35	
Isaac Brown, 1872.....	46	
Isaac Lee.....	1 67	
James C. Robinson.....	1 04	
Joseph B. French.....	1 67	
Daniel W. Mace.....	1 67	
James W. McIntire.....	62	
Asa Sanborn, 1872.....	1 94	
" " 1873.....	1 67	
Samuel Emerson, (over taxed).....	83	
Boardman Poor, 1869.....	2 56	
Charles W. Folletts, 1868.....	3 45	
		$48 60

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid for printing town reports.....	$30 00	
journey to Exeter to get them printed	2 00	
Asa Sanborn, labor on highway and mending chairs.....	75	
books and stationery.....	4 85	
postage and express.....	1 00	
John Clement, cleaning town house....	2 00	
D. C. Hook, journey with hearse.....	1 50	
W. D. Lovering, labor on Rocks Bridge	13 36	
Plumer D. Small, for horse hire.....	1 50	
copy of Sarah Chase's will.....	2 00	
Plumer D. Small, for building fence....	2 50	
Alexander Drummond, for moving twen-six rods of wall.....	26 33	
Mrs. John Whittier, for posts and rails.	7 00	
Horatio Beede, for 84 feet pine timber.	1 26	

Paid Horatio Beede, for 110 feet oak plank.	2 21
James Bean, keeping water trough for public, for year 1872 and 1873. ..	6 00
Robert S. French, keeping water trough for public, 1872 and 1873.....	2 00
Ezra Currier, for 5,204 feet of plank for Rocks Bridge.....	104 08
Ezra Currier, for 2,438 feet of bridge plank for Clough's bridge.....	48 76
survey bill.....	41 00
braces and bolts for said bridge.....	3 98
spikes for said bridge.....	60
Ezra Currier, for use of plow on highway.....	75
Phineas Beede, for 4 stringers for Rocks Bridge	64 00
Samuel Woodman, for serving notice on Sandown	4 00
Moses N. Sanborn, journey with hearse to Raymond.....	2 00
Reuben P. Griffin, labor on highway...	1 50
John C. Smith, for iron and bolts for Rocks Bridge.....	3 00
Josiah B. Robinson, for 200 feet of b. plank	3 00
Josiah B. Robinson, for use of plow on highway	1 00
Samuel A. Smith, sheep killed by dogs.	24 75
Daniel C. Hook, " " "	2 75
Joseph B. T. Graves.....	2 75
Dr. Caverly, for one visit to Dolly Hoyt, 1872.....	75
Orin B. Poor, horse hire....	1 25
George F. Beede, journey to Portsmouth	2 50
Albert R. Hatch, for counsel, &c., in testing the Will of Sarah Chase, deceased	25 00

Paid Jeremiah Benfield, for ropes for hearse.	50	
" " " labor on bridge.	30	
George L. Sanborn, 140 feet bridge plank	2 80	
Daniel C. Hook, services as Town Treasurer	10 00	
Horace Hook, services as Town Clerk.	10 00	
James Martin, services as Collector....	45 00	
Collector's bills.....	1 50	
James Martin, keeping water trough for public.....	3 00	
Cyrus A. Gove, services as Superintending School Committee.....	12 00	
W. B. Follansbee, three journeys with hearse.....	4 50	
C. W. Folletts, seven journeys with hearse	10 50	
C. W. Folletts, care of town house...,	50	
Ira Hylan, labor on highway.....	1 17	
for taking depositions..... ..	50	
		$505 36

SELECTMEN'S PERSONAL SERVICES.

Paid Daniel C. Hook, three days taking inventory	$4 50	
Daniel C. Hook, two days making assessment and preparing inventories	3 00	
Daniel C. Hook, three days making taxes.....	4 50	
Daniel C. Hook, recording taxes.....	1 50	
Daniel C. Hook, preparing Collector's and Surveyor's books.....	2 00	
Daniel C. Hook, journey to Concord...	1 50	
" " car fare and expenses.	2 80	
" " copying non-resident list	1 50	
Daniel C. Hook, journey to county farm	2 00	
" " one day pauper business	1 50	

Paid Daniel C. Hook, journey to Exeter, pauper business.....	2 00	
Daniel C. Hook, journey to Exeter, in regard to making assessment.....	2 00	
Daniel C. Hook, one-half day town business.....	75	
Daniel C. Hook, two journeys to James Martin's.....	1 50	
Daniel C, Hook, writing and posting warrants for special meeting.....,	1 50	
Daniel C. Hook, one day town business	1 50	
" " attending two juror's meetings	1 00	
Daniel C. Hook, journey to Sandown, pauper business.....	1 50	
Daniel C. Hook, one day to Brentwood.	1 50	
" " regulating juror box..	50	
" " one day town business	1 50	
" " journey to Exeter after county money.....	2 00	
Daniel C. Hook, journey to Danville, pauper business.....	75	
Daniel C. Hook, writing and posting warrants and check list for March election	1 50	
Daniel C. Hook, three days settling town accounts and paying notes...	4 50	
Daniel C. Hook, journey to Nottingham, to pay note.....	2 00	
Daniel C. Hook, one day with Selectmen and Auditors.....	1 50	
		$53 80
Paid Alvah Sanborn, one day taking inventory	1 50	
" " moving Robert Warren and family to county farm.....	4 00	
Alvah Sanborn, journey to Exeter.....	2 00	
" " " " county farm	2 00	
" " regulating juror box...	50	

Paid Alvah Sanborn, one day town business	1 50	
" " one-half day with Selectmen	75	
Alvah Sanborn, attending juror meeting	50	
		$12 75

Paid Jonathan Tilton, one day taking inventory	1 50	
Jonathan Tilton, journey to Exeter	2 00	
" " two days making taxes	3 00	
" " journey to county farm	75	
" " attending juror meeting	50	
Jonathan Tilton, regulating juror box	50	
" " one day town business	1 50	
		$9 75

RECAPITULATION.

Whole amount of receipts		$8,327 66
Expenditures:		
Public taxes	$1,476 53	
Schools	558 60	
Non-resident labor	35 16	
Paupers	301 75	
School house tax	48 00	
Notes and interest	2,998 88	
Abatements	48 60	
Breaking roads	250 65	
Miscellaneous bills	505 36	
Selectmen's services	76 30	6,299 83
		$2,027 83
Balance in Treasurer's hands, Bonds	$1,600 00	
Cash	427 83	
		$2,027 83

DANIEL C. HOOK,
ALVAH SANBORN,
JONATHAN TILTON, } *Selectmen of Fremont.*

AUDITORS' REPORT.

The undersigned, Auditors, having examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen, are satisfied that they are correct, and report that from the books the present financial condition of the town appears to be as follows:

CLAIMS AGAINST THE TOWN.

Notes held by sundry individuals against the town, including interest to March 1, 1874		$5,063 87

FROM WHICH DEDUCT:

Balance in Treasurer's hands	$1,600 00	
" " "	427 83	
Bounties due from U. S. Government	1,200 00	
Due on James Martin's collection, 1873	154 51	
" from County for support of paupers	15 00	
" State, interest on bonds	16 00	
		$3,413 34
Leaving a debt of		$1,650 53

EZRA CURRIER,
GEORGE F. BEEDE, } *Auditors.*

February 28, 1874.

REPORT

OF THE

Superintending School Committee

Fellow Citizens of Fremont:

I respectfully submit the following report. While there has been no great change in the management of our schools, during the past year, our teachers have labored faithfully and judiciously, gaining the affections, and commanding the respect of the great majority of their pupils, whose steady improvement has, as a natural consequence, been secured. The schools in each district have had the additional advantages obtained by employing the same teacher for both terms, and the exercises at the closing examinations of the different schools have been very creditable to teachers and scholars. In the matter of attendance, while the registers show a larger number of pupils not absent one-half day than during the previous year, the average attendance is but little different, and the instances of tardiness are altogether too numerous.

Some changes have been made in text books, but only such as I believe were needed. The Readers in use at the commencement of the year have gone out of general use throughout the state, while many scholars in our own schools had books of a different series. It is of course essential that the schools be properly classed, and this was accomplished by the introduction of the series of Readers now in use. I have also instructed teachers to insist upon the use of the series of engraved copy books introduced several years ago, but which had mostly fallen into disuse, to the great detriment of those studying penmanship.

In conclusion I beg leave to suggest that while we have no reason to feel ashamed of our schools, there is room for great improvements in their surroundings, some need larger, better ventilated, and pleasanter school rooms, all would be benefitted by the use of maps,

charts, and other illustrative apparatus. It is true that those things cost money, but how can we make a better investment of money than in the proper education of the young, and it is to be remembered that the majority of our citizens receive no tuition but that of the common schools. I am aware that education, as a subject of examination day orations and written reports, was worn and stale years ago, but the fact still commands our attention, that the general diffusion of knowledge among the people of any community or state is the most powerful agent to promote their happiness and prosperity. It is a matter of vital interest to us all as patriotic citizens, for it is literally true that "the common school is the foundation of the republic."

I subjoin some items from the Register of each school. The wages of teachers given are by the month, including board.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

JOHN C. SANBORN, Prudential Committee.

Teacher, Miss Florence R. Goodwin of Kingston.

Amount of school money, $177.11.

SUMMER TERM.—Length of school 9 weeks. Wages of teacher $26. Whole number of scholars 19. Average attendance 16. Instances of tardiness 45. Number of visits by citizens and others 10. Bertha F. Bartlett and Grace R. Sanborn were neither absent nor tardy. Albert B. Blaisdell, Joseph P. Bassett, and Albert S. Sanborn were not absent one-half day.

WINTER TERM.—Length of school 17 weeks. Wages of Teacher $28. Whole number of scholars 24. Average attendance 18. Instances of tardiness 100. Number of visits by citizens and others 24. Not absent nor tardy, Bertha E. Bartlett. Not absent, Grace R. Sanborn, Freddie P. Small, Albert S. Sanborn, Eben L. Poor, Jacob W. Purington, Walter L. Purington.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

CHARLES E. FOLLETTE, Prudential Committee,

Teacher, Miss H. C. Webster.

Amount of school money, $187.05.

SUMMER TERM.—Length of school 15 weeks. Wages of teacher $32. Whole number of scholars 43. Average attendance 34. Instances of tardiness 12. Number visits by citizens and others 20. Not absent nor tardy, Estella M. Carr, Willie B. Beede, Willie J. Ladd, John H. Williams.

WINTER TERM.—Length of school 12 weeks. Wages of teacher $28. Whole number of scholars 35. Average attendance 25. Instance of tardiness 11. Number of visits by citizens and others 8. Not absent or tardy, Anna A. Brown, Laura E. Fellows, Eleanor Woodman, Willie J. Ladd, George E. Scribner, John H. Williams.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

IRA HYLAN, Prudential Committee.

Teacher, Kate M. Robinson of Deerfield.

Amount of school money, $126.26.

SUMMER TERM.—Length of school 7 weeks. Wages of teacher $24. Whole number of scholars 19. Average attendance 18. Instances of tardiness 25. Number of visits by citizens and others 18. Not absent or tardy, Albert E. Hylan, Herbert F. Lyford, Walter Lyford, Fred. Lyford. Not absent, Belle Brown, Ida Leavitt, Lizzie Rowe, Frank Rowe.

WINTER TERM.—Length of school 12 weeks. Wages of teacher $28. Whole number of scholars 25. Average attendance 18 1-2. Instances of tardiness 32. Number of visits by citizens and others 17. Not absent nor tardy Marietta Hylan, Samuel Yeaton, Albert E. Hylan, Frank Hartford.

DISTRICT, NO. 4.

H. H. WOOD, Prudential Committee.

Teacher, Miss Hattie M. Fellows of Brentwood.

Amount of school money, $62.28.

FIRST TERM.—Length of school 8 weeks. Wages of teacher $16. Whole number of scholars 13. Average attendance 11 1-2. Instances of tardiness 4. Number of visits by citizens and others 9. Not absent or tardy, Nellie E. Winslow, Laura A. Winslow. Not absent, Frank B, Brown.

SECOND TERM.—Length of school 9 weeks. Wages of teacher $16. Whole number of scholars 14. Average attendance 11. Instances of tardiness 10. Number of visits by citizens and others 8. Not absent nor tardy, Nellie E. Winslow, Laura A. Winslow, Abby D. Wood.

CYRUS A. GOVE,
Superintending School Committee.

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